

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (cancelled).

Claim 2 (cancelled).

Claim 3 (cancelled).

Claim 4 (currently amended):

A lawn tractor lift comprising:

- (a) a lift arm having a forward end and a rearward end, the lift arm comprising left and right lever bars;
- (b) tractor wheel mounting means fixedly attached to the forward end of the lift arm, the tractor wheel mounting means comprising a tire cradle having left and right ends;
- (c) a lever arm having a forward end and a rearward end, the lever arm comprising left and right lever bars; and,
- (d) variable fulcrum means having a forward end and a rearward end, the rearward end of the variable fulcrum means being fixedly attached to or formed wholly with the forward end of the lever arm, the forward end of variable fulcrum means being fixedly attached to or formed wholly with the rearward end of the lift arm, the variable fulcrum means having a floor contacting surface, the variable fulcrum means, upon alternate levering and counter levering of the lever arm,

alternately moving the floor contacting surface rearwardly toward the rearward end of the lever arm and forwardly toward the forward end of the lift arm; the tractor wheel mounting means further comprising means for pivoting the tire cradle with respect to the lift arm, the means for pivoting the tire cradle with respect to the lift arm being connected operatively to the left and right ends of the tire cradle, the means for pivoting the tire cradle with respect to the lift arm being further connected operatively to the forward end of the lift arm. The lawn tractor lift of ~~Claim 3 wherein the lever arm comprises left and right lever bars, wherein the lift arm comprises left and right lift bars, and wherein the variable fulcrum means comprises comprising left and right curved bars, the left curved bar spanning between the left lever bar and the left lift bar, and the right curved bar spanning between the right lever bar and the right lift bar.~~

Claim 5 (previously presented) :

The lawn tractor lift of Claim 4 further comprising a first cross brace having left and right ends, and first cross brace mounting brackets fixedly attached to the left and right ends of the first cross brace, the first cross brace mounting brackets rigidly attaching the first cross brace to a first pair of bars selected from the group of paired bars consisting of the left and right lever bars, the left and right curved bars, and the left and right lift bars.

Claim 6 (previously presented) :

The lawn tractor lift of Claim 5 further comprising a second cross brace having left and right ends, and second cross brace mounting brackets fixedly attached to the left and right ends of the second cross brace, the second cross brace mounting brackets rigidly attaching the second cross brace to a second pair of bars selected from the group of paired bars consisting of left and right lever bars, left and right curved bars, and left and right lift bars.

Claim 7 (previously presented) :

The lawn tractor lift of Claim 6 wherein the first and second cross brace mounting brackets further respectively removably attach the first and second cross braces to the first and second pairs of bars.

Claim 8 (currently amended) :

The lawn tractor lift of Claim 7 further comprising left and right "D" braces respectively mounted for rigidly supporting the left and right curved bars.

Claim 9 (previously presented) :

The lawn tractor lift of Claim 8 wherein the tire cradle comprises front and rear cross bars defining therebetween a tire obturation space, the front and rear cross bars each having left and right ends.

Claim 10 (previously presented) :

The lawn tractor lift of Claim 9 further comprising a plurality of tire straps fixedly and laterally slidably attached to the front and rear cross bars.

Claim 11 (previously presented) :

The lawn tractor lift of Claim 10 wherein the pivoting means overlie the left and right ends of the front and rear cross bars.